

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion it is respectfully requested.

Claims 13-17, 19-24, 29-33, 35-40, 45-49, 51-56, and 57-64 are pending in the present application. Claims 13, 21, 29, 37 and 61 have been amended and are independent claims.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 AND 103

In the outstanding office action, claims 61, 63 and 64 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as anticipated by Na et al.; and claims 13-17, 19-24, 29-33, 35-40, 45-49, 51-55, 57-60 and 62 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Setogawa et al. in view of Na et al. These rejections are respectfully traverse.

Independent claim 1 has been amended to clarify that the video apparatus and the disc device are separated from each other and are operated separately from each other. Independent claims 21, 29, 37 and 61 include similar features in a varying scope.

Thus, as shown in Figure 2A and 2B, the user is able to control functions or operations of a DVD player on a Digital TV. For example, Figure 2A illustrates a user selecting a play button on the Digital TV which then controls the operations of the DVD player to play a selected title as shown in Figure 2B.

On the contrary, Setogawa et al. merely teach storing operations on a DVD in which the stored operations are then used to control how information on the DVD is displayed. Setogawa et al. do not teach or suggest any information about displaying functions for controlling a DVD player on a Digital TV. That is, Setogawa et al. do not teach or suggest displaying menus on a

video apparatus that are used for controlling initial operations of a disc device such as a DVD player. In addition, Na et al. merely teach a method for editing a menu in a DVD player. However, Na et al. do not teach or suggest a video apparatus and disc device being separated from each other and being operated separately from each other in which menus are displayed on the video apparatus for controlling the disc device.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted independent claims 13, 21, 29, 37 and 61 and each of the claims depending therefrom, are allowable and that the rejections noted in the office action have been overcome.

ENTRY OF AMENDMENT

In addition, it is respectfully requested this amendment be entered as it is believed no new issues have been raised.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons and in view of the above clarifying amendments, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw all of the objections and rejections of record, and earnestly solicit an early issuance of a Notice of Allowance.

Should there be any outstanding matters which need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Esther H. Chong (Registration No. 40,953) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and further replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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